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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Four bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3192–3195, and S. Res. 476–477.

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Measures Reported:

Report to accompany S. 1830, to establish the Chief Conservation Officers Council to improve the energy efficiency of Federal agencies. (S. Rept. No. 111–167)

- S. 469, to amend chapter 83 of title 5, United States Code, to modify the computation for part-time service under the Civil Service Retirement System.
- S. 629, to facilitate the part-time reemployment of annuitants, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Measures Passed:

TRICARE Affirmation Act: Committee on Finance was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 4887, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to ensure that health coverage provided by the Department of Defense is treated as minimal essential coverage, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President.

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Measures Considered:

Impeachment of Judge G. Thomas Porteous, Jr.: Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, resumed consideration of the impeachment proceedings of G. Thomas Porteous, Jr., Judge of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana, taking the following action:

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Pursuant to Rule IX of the Rules and Procedures in the Senate when Sitting on Impeachment Trials, the Secretary of the Senate swore the Sergeant at Arms.

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Sergeant at Arms sent to the desk the return of service executed upon service of the summons upon

Judge G. Thomas Porteous, Jr., Friday, March 19, 2010, at 8:55 a.m. Page S2181

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Secretary of the Senate communicate to the House of Representatives an attested copy of the answer of G. Thomas Porteous, Jr., Judge of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana, to the articles of impeachment; provided further, that the answer be referred to the Impeachment Trial Committee on the Articles Against Judge G. Thomas Porteous, Jr. established by the Senate on March 17, 2010.

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Continuing Extension Act—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 4851, to provide a temporary extension of certain programs.

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During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 60 yeas to 34 nays (Vote No. 109), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill at approximately 11 a.m., on Tuesday, April 13, 2010, with the time during any period of morning business, adjournment and recess count post-cloture; that at 2:15 p.m., all post-cloture time be yielded back, the motion to proceed be agreed to, and Senate begin consideration of the bill.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Thomas Hicks, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Election Assistance Commission for a term expiring January 12, 2013.

S. Leslie Ireland, of Massachusetts, to be Assistant Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis, Department of the Treasury.

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